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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §41.31, Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final rejection of claims 1-10 and 19-21 of the above-identified application, as set forth in the Final Office Action mailed September 24, 2008, setting a fourmonth shortened statutory period of reply expiring January 26, 2009 since January 24, 2009 falls on a Saturday.

Please apply the appeal fee paid October 9, 2007 to cover the required fee for filing this Notice of Appeal, in accordance with MPEP 1204.01. No additional fee is believed due with this Notice of Appeal, however, should such a fee be required please charge Deposit Account 50-0510.

Applicants petition herein for a one-month extension of time. A one-month extension of time fee is transmitted

along with this Notice of Appeal. Should any additional extensions of time be required, please consider this a petition thereof and charge Deposit Account 50-0510 the required fee.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 26, 2009

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